Weekly Column for December 13, 2007

As I look out my window at 12:30 p.m. the snow is certainly coming down at a rapid pace. You can be assured that crews are out in full force as we speak cleaning the roads for the commute home. That being said, it is going to be a tough one, so please drive carefully.

It appears that we also have the potential for another big storm this coming weekend. With that in mind, I suppose it is time for my annual discussion of snow, and how everyone can help the City in its clean up efforts.

Should we get a big snowfall this weekend, please use driveways when available. In the downtown business district, we encourage all residents that are able to use the parking garages and lots to do so. There is no charge, and we will have a better shot at getting rid of the snow by Monday morning.

Plus you get the added bonus of not having to clear off your car.

Also be prepared in different neighborhoods to pay attention to the no-parking signs. If you get up Monday and your normal streets cleaning day is Monday, please move your car, the plows will be coming through.

We are always prepared for an above average winter in terms of snowfall. The crews are ready, as is the equipment.

Should you have an issue with plowing, or an issue that needs to be corrected immediately, please contact the Department of Public Works at 270-4579.

Just a reminder this weekend as you finish up your Christmas shopping, downtown Troy is ready, willing and able to fill many of your needs.

Have a great weekend.

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